

# ONLY 35 MORE DAYS TO REGISTER!



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### 'BUY A BOMB' DRIVE ENDS; DID YOU GIVE?

Salinas, California. The "Buy a Bomb for a Bomber" campaign of the Salinas Labor Council and Salinas Carpenters Union was to come to an end on Friday of this week. Approximately \$450 had been collected at the close of last week and the fund was expected to be near the \$500 mark at the end of the drive. The campaign will officially end at the close of the Central Labor Council meeting at the Labor Temple on Friday night, and all unions, individuals or groups which have not contributed may send checks to the council meeting to get credit for assisting such a worthy cause. Plumbers Union 503 sent in its contribution last week and became the sixth local union to contribute to a fund which all unions should support. The plumbers sent in a check for \$5. Other unions which have supported the drive are the carpenters, laborers, culinary alliance, painters and barbers. Steps will be taken for a ceremony to present the fund to the government for use in buying a bomb. War bonds will be bought and turned over to the government, the fund thus performing two services—buying bonds and bombs.

### Salinas Laborer Election Finds Little Opposition

Salinas, California. Laborers Union 272 of Salinas was to have its election of officers this week but interest was not at a high pitch as the union had shown its faith in most of the incumbent officers by re-electing them without opposition. Only one contest had developed for a major office, G. B. McGinley and John F. Mattos vying for the post of vice president. President R. Fenchel was unopposed for election as was Secretary-Business Agent Frank D. Ball, veteran in that post. The union voted to buy more war bonds at its last meeting. Secretary Ball reported. Work has been good for laborers.

### Clerks To Meet Here This Week

Salinas, California. Retail clerks from food stores and other establishments in Salinas were to meet this week (Thursday night) for another organization meeting. San Jose local 428 of retail clerks is organizing the clerks in this area. A meeting was held earlier in Salinas.

### 'BUY A BOMB' DONATIONS

Donations to date to the "Buy a Bomb for a Bomber" fund are as follows:	
Central Labor Council	\$25.00
Carpenters 925	10.00
Laborers 272	10.00
Culinary Alliance 467	5.00
Painters 1104	5.00
Plumbers 503	5.00
Barbers 827	2.50
Labor News	1.00
Loyal Order of Moose	5.00
"Suey Sing Club"	15.00
Poppy Maids Sewing Club	12.00
VFW Auxiliary Party	30.10
Individuals (reported)	15.00
Members, 925 (reported)	88.50
Members, 272 (reported)	3.00
Members, Typos (reported)	1.00
Members, Painters (reported)	1.00
C. M. Smith, Teamsters	1.00
Picked up in cans	183.71

### Salinas Carpenter Election Started; New Bond Bought

Salinas, California. Salinas Carpenters 925 held first nominations at the union's quarterly meeting last week. More nominations and the election of the new officers were to be completed at this week's meeting of the local. All incumbents had been nominated for re-election with the exception of President George Harter, who declined to run. At the union's meeting the purchase of another \$1000 war bond was authorized as the union continues to pay into the nation's war chest. One new member was initiated.

### In Union Circles

Ed Pilliar, of Carpenters 925, returned to Salinas last week from his vacation trip, looking rested and chipper.

New CLU delegates from Butchers 506 are Don Wilkins and Clair Wilder, with L. Simonson, alternate.

A new hose is being purchased for the Labor Temple for use in case of fire or bombing, as requested by civilian defense.

Johnny Agrillo, Barbers' delegate to labor council, is showing other talent—as pianist at the Oasis Club.

Picture of patriotism: Jess Hinkley buying all the labor council's war stamps supply each Friday night before anyone else can get any.

Frank E. Faustine, postmaster at Castroville, was a labor council visitor last week.

We hear reports in Salinas that Frank Ball is engaged—"To what?" we ask.

Don McAnaney doesn't know the meaning of the word "quit!" For four years he has tried to get Frank Ball to a Moose Lodge meeting and last week succeeded. Frank is a charter member of the Moose but usually is too busy to attend.

Jess Hinkley and Secretary W. G. Kenyon were elected delegates from labor council to the Berkeley "Labor in the War" conference.

Ed Biggerstaff, of the Bartenders would have been richer had he attended labor council last week—his name was called by the chairman for the attendance award.

A mass meeting of lettuce shed workers was to be held last Sunday.

### Long in Chico, Winslow Named BTC Secretary

Monterey, California. Lloyd A. Long, of the Plumbers Union, who has done such a capable job as secretary of the Monterey County Building and Construction Trades Council for many years, was out of Monterey on defense work this week and a new secretary pro tem had been named for the council.

Long was in Chico on a defense job being done there by the Monterey County Plumbing Company. Named acting secretary was Norman Winslow, of Monterey Painters 272.

### Painters Elect Officers June 16 In Salinas Area

Salinas, California. Painters Union 1104 of Salinas will have its annual election of officers at the meeting of Tuesday, June 16, it was reported last week. In the nominations last week Earl Ross, president, and D. H. Hartman, recording secretary, were nominated for re-election. At the union's meeting, two apprentices were accepted for membership.

### Here's Mine, Where's Yours?



—From Huntington (W. Va.) Advertiser.

### LOCAL 483 SPEAKS

(Bartenders, Hotel & Restaurant Employees No. 483)

#### DID YOU KNOW—

That the Moon Man was pinching for our secretary when the representative of this paper called for this?

And that he couldn't find what was already prepared for the column?

And that this meager stint is the result?

That all members who are registered voters had better get up to the office pronto, and sign a petition to the State Legislature so that we can have a better apportioned State Senate?

That as far as the Moon Man is concerned it is still a toss-up between the blonde and brunette? (This in answer to a remark in last week's chatter!)

That the brunette has a slight edge at this writing?

That this is all for now? —THE MOON MAN.

### Culinary Names Officers To Fill Some Vacancies

Salinas, California. Culinary Alliance 467 of Salinas named new officers to fill vacancies in key posts at the union's special meeting last week.

Carl Louis was named vice president, and L. C. Oliver, Jack Spencer and Myron Hood were named to the executive board.

The meeting was devoted mainly to discussion of certain provisions in the new union contract, successfully negotiated recently. Secretary Dorothy Johns reports some difficulty in signing up certain proprietors to the new pact.

Seven new members were initiated.

### Big Labor Camp For San Benito

San Benito, California. Reports here this week disclosed that the U. S. Department of Agriculture is planning a 200-family labor camp somewhere near Hollister, in San Benito County.

Details of the camp were held in confidence but it was expected work would get underway between June 15 and July 1. Several hundred workmen were expected to get calls. Laborers Union 283 of Santa Cruz has jurisdiction over San Benito County, under the new AGC ruling, and is awaiting the call for men to start breaking ground.

### Barber Prices Set By State In S.C. County

Santa Cruz, California.

The State Board of Barber Examiners last week notified barber unions in Santa Cruz and Watsonville that the State is establishing minimum prices for barber services in all of Santa Cruz County, effective June 20.

Under the new minimum price law for barbering, voted in by the State Legislature last year, the State has decided on prices as follows for Santa Cruz County:

Shaves 35 cents; Haircuts 60 cents.

H. J. Molares, secretary of Santa Cruz Barbers Local 891, reported satisfaction at the new State minimum prices. Union scales in both Santa Cruz and Watsonville call for 35 cents for shaves and 60 cents for haircuts.

The State scale will bring up the cut-rate shops to almost the same prices as are now charged by union shops, which will mean that wise customers will look for the quality of work and the cleanliness of barber shops, rather than the dime or nickel saved as some had done formerly.

Smart operators of non-union shops (if non-union operators can be termed smart) will join the union now and will get all union conditions and try to get a share of the union business, since the State law provides that prices must be raised to almost the present union scale. Stiff penalties are set for violators of the price laws.

### Building Trades Adopts New Setup For Per Capita

Monterey, California.

A new setup for payment by unions of per capita taxes for the Monterey County Building and Construction Trades Council was adopted at last week's meeting of the council, President Henry Diaz reported.

Under the new plan, each local will pay the council a sum equivalent to one hour's pay per member each month for the per capita. The former per capita was a flat 50 cents per member.

The new scheme will grant the council necessary added revenue and will be fairer than a raise in per capita to some higher flat figure.

With the per capita based on the hourly pay of craftsmen, laborers and other less skilled craftsmen will not be paying as high a per capita as the crafts with top pay.

### Give Labor Credit For All Donations Made to USO Fund

Monterey, California.

Organized labor in Monterey was asking this week that it get full credit for all donations made by labor groups or individuals to the United Service Organizations (USO) fund under the new campaign.

At a recent meeting of labor groups, two USO speakers appealed for funds and much support was pledged by union representatives.

Unions are asked now to make their checks payable to the USO, but to give them to representatives of central bodies for delivering to the USO so that labor can get full credit at once.

Checks of unions affiliated with the labor council should be sent to Steve (Red Duane) Smario, of the Bartenders local, who has been named representative for the labor council in the USO drive. Checks of unions in the Building Trades Council should send their checks to the Building Trades Council Secretary.

### ALONG CANNERY ROW

(AFL Fish Cannery Workers)

Our business agent, Ivan Sinner, is well again after a tonsillitis spell—but he was unable to attend our meeting last week.

Brother Sinner's birthday was last Saturday, June 6, and one of his best birthday presents was being up to enjoy the anniversary. He won't tell us his age, but we know he's over 21—he registered to vote!

Pearl Thomas has been named office secretary for the Fish Cannery Workers Union. She's recording secretary and corresponding secretary as well. She'll fill the job of Neva Davis well, because she's got many friends and is so friendly and easy to get along with. The Can Opener wishes you every bit of luck, Pearl.

Ralph Scandling had all the luck at our regular meeting—\$5 worth of it to be exact.

Long discussions of vital topics and union conditions featured the meeting on June 2. More of this later.

Brother Frank Barbarino passed away last week after a two weeks illness. He was well known and his presence will be missed.

Brother Fred Vandagriff is the proud father of a 9-pound, 2-ounce boy and the cigars he passed out were swell.

Brother Dameron, after looking at Alcatraz from the shore during a recent business trip to San Francisco, remarked that he could swim from the "Rock" to the mainland quite easily. The swift tidal currents were mentioned, but he declared the tides were no worse than the current in the Mississippi River and he swam that. It was pointed out that the Mississippi probably wasn't as wide as the distance from the prison rock to shore. Brother Dameron chuckled and said: "I wasn't talking about the width of Old Man River—I swam it lengthwise!" (The only concession from Dameron to his story as yet is that he swam only from New Orleans to St. Louis!)

Brother Steve Madison and his wife are proud parents of a son.

(EDITORS NOTE: At this point in the notes of the Can Opener were the words "Morg King is Goofy!" We aren't sure that it's part of the column, however—must have been a passing thought of someone who jotted down the notes—suppose so?)

Vivian and John Wheat celebrated their wedding anniversary on the first of June. Congratulations!

Josephine and Elmer Borman celebrate their anniversary June 15. More congratulations!

The Can Opener is indebted to Secretary Morg King, who is full of kind favors. Many thanks, Morg!

—THE CAN OPENER.

### BUTCHER UNION OFFICIALS HAVE TERRIFIC TIME

Salinas, California.

Two Butcher Union officials had a tough time of it last week when they attended a meeting in Salinas to try to iron out a dispute.

Les Nagel, assistant business agent of Butchers 506 of San Jose, picked up Kaspar Bauer, Santa Cruz Butchers 266 business agent and international representative in this area, and drove to Salinas. Bauer left his car at Watsonville.

At Salinas Nagel parked his car in a parking lot and the two went to the meeting. After an unsatisfactory meeting, the officials returned to find their car standing askew—two tires and wheels had been stolen.

When it was discovered there was no transportation to Watsonville at that time of night to get Bauer's car, the pair went to a hotel.

In the morning, Bauer hurried to Watsonville—and discovered he had forgotten his keys, left them in the hotel at Salinas.

Meanwhile Nagel reached for his wallet to settle the bill—and he had lost or misplaced it.

P.S.: The story has only a partially happy ending—Bauer found his keys and the business agents got home. Nagel was still looking for some tires and his wallet at last reports.

### Chain Butchers 'Go Fishing'; Win Better Conditions

Santa Cruz, California.

Butchers at Safeway stores in Santa Cruz "took a fishing trip" last week, as did the butchers of Watsonville, Salinas and Monterey, when the chain stores refused to grant requested pay increases.

The chain store butchers, members of San Jose Butchers 506, in all cities but Santa Cruz (where they are members of Butchers 266), won their raise of 15 per cent as result of the two-day fishing excursion.

It was emphasized in Santa Cruz and elsewhere that there was no strike—the men "just decided to take a fishing trip all the same day because they were unsatisfied with their wages," Kaspar Bauer, of Local 266, paraphrased it.

The chain butchers are asking the pay retroactive to May 18, when the old contract expired. The Safeway stores granted the raise from last week and both sides agreed to arbitrate the retroactive part.

### Edwards Leaves, Lester Becomes CLU Secretary

Monterey, California.

Wayne Edwards, secretary of the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council, started his vacation last week, having first received a leave of absence from his secretarial duties for the council. Edwards did not disclose his vacation plans.

Ralph Lester, president of Barbers 896, was named secretary pro tem to serve until Edwards returns. Lester reported he will mimeograph the council minutes so that every local may get copies.

### Roofers Scattered Throughout West; Meetings Changed

Santa Cruz, California.

Members of Roofers Union 50 of this area, are scattered throughout five western states, Secretary Warren A. Smith reported at Santa Cruz last week.

Smith, just returned himself from Medford, Ore., said members of his union are in Oregon, Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, as well as a few left in California.

Only two union roofers in Santa Cruz and one in Watsonville remain to handle the little remaining local work, he added. Pay on outside work is good, he said.

Smith reported that the union now is meeting only once a month—the first Friday.

### REGISTER NOW TO VOTE IN PRIMARY

Never before in the history of the labor movement in California has it been so important for the organized workers to muster all the votes at their command in behalf of a vital cause as it is today. That cause happens to be intertwined with the cause of the best friend Labor ever had in the governorship of this State—the cause of Culbert L. Olson, now seeking re-election largely upon the urging of Labor.

The important phase of the campaign at this moment is to see to it that every member of Organized Labor is registered in time to vote in the primaries to be held next August 25.

The last day upon which anyone may register or transfer in order to vote in these primaries is next July 16.

Therefore, if you are not registered or if you have changed your address since the last election, be sure to go to your place of registration now, and, in order to be able to vote for Governor Olson in the forthcoming primary, you must register as a Democrat. He is running only in the Democratic primary.

It is important for all members of labor unions to bear in mind that one of the principal reasons why anti-labor forces are opposing Governor Olson so vehemently is his unswerving loyalty to the cause of the laboring masses.

The one way to make sure of thwarting the plot of Labor's enemies to oust the Governor is to vote for him, first in the primary August 25, and then at the general election next November 3.

But, remember, to vote in either the primary or the election, you must be registered legally. So do make sure you have the right to vote, and be sure of this prior to next July 16, the last day on which you can register.

### In Union Circles

Monterey.

The labor council voted last week to write to Salinas Labor Council to protest asserted discrimination against a teacher before the Board of Trustees of the schools at Salinas. Details will be made public later.

No action has been taken by barbers in this county for a minimum price setup by the State. A movement will be started shortly, however, to get a comparable price to the 60-35 scale established for Santa Cruz County.

Henry Diaz, building trades' president, "got away from it all" last week by taking in a ball game in San Francisco with some friends.

Steve (Red Duane) Smario, business agent of Local 483 of Bartenders, Hotel and Restaurant Employees, presided at last week's labor council meeting.

Painters initiated one new member at their last meeting, which was mainly routine.

### Carpenters Buy More Bonds, Find Work Holding Up

Monterey, California.

Monterey Carpenters Union 1323 purchased two more \$1000 bonds last week, continuing the policy of adding at least \$1000 worth of bonds per month to the local's holdings and thus boosting the war program.

Work for carpenters has continued good, Dale Ward, business agent, reports, with the new Hument job at Fort Ord, with its 1921 buildings, providing employment for many men at present.

### Labor Mass Meet Planned In July

Monterey, California.

A mass meeting of labor union members and labor followers is being planned in Monterey for sometime in mid-July, probably a Sunday.

While details are not worked out it was expected that the meeting would be called for the new Labor Temple in New Monterey to arouse interest in the defeat of the Slave Bill 877 and to spur interest in the re-election of Governor Olson.

Labor council and building trades approval of the mass meeting have been given.

### Salinas Work Continues Good

Salinas, California.

Work has continued good for union building tradesmen in the Salinas area, it was reported last week.

The sewage disposal plant, being built by the Stanley H. Koller Co. of Crockett, has been delayed somewhat by shortage of steel but is providing employment for many men.

Another new job, barracks at Camp Hunter Leggett, is being started by Dowdell Co. of San Jose and will provide more work.

### MONTEREY CLU ADOPT CHANGE OF PER CAPITA

Monterey, California.

Adoption of constitutional amendments of the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council to provide for a re-arrangement of per capita tax levies with equalization for all unions affiliated was voted by the council at its last week's meeting.

The amendments provide for a monthly per capita of three cents per member with a maximum per local of \$25 and a minimum of \$2.

Under the amendments, each local will be allowed from three to five delegates, depending on size, and each local will be allowed a council vote of from three to 10, also depending on the union's size.

Each local will be asked to furnish the labor council with membership figures from April 1, 1941 to April 1, 1942. The allotment of per capita dues, delegates and voting strength will be figured for the current year.

The new amendments and the change in per capita become effective July 1, 1942.

### FAUSTINO WINS SALINAS LABOR ENDORSEMENT FOR STATE JOB

Salinas, California.

Frank E. Faustino, postmaster at Castroville, won the endorsement of the Salinas labor council last week in his campaign for appointment to the State Personnel Board.

Faustino addressed the labor council briefly, expressing appreciation for his support two years ago when he was appointed postmaster.

He presented an editorial he had written for the Castroville News in which he had protested the county anti-picketing ordinance passed during the 1936 lettuce worker strike.

His summary of his record showed his pro-labor stand in many matters and he pointed out that he has helped to create many jobs for people and getting promotions for worthy persons.

### WORK STARTED ON NEW PLANT AT MONTEREY

Monterey, California.

Construction of Monterey's newest plant, the Oxnard Cannery fish cannery along the waterfront, has been started as an all-union job.

Pete and Sal Ferrante are in charge of the construction and will conduct the new cannery, which was moved here from Oxnard when the U. S. Navy took over its former location at Hueneme, near Oxnard.

Davi & Russo are contractors on the new job and Architect Coats prepared plans. The cost of the work is expected to be about \$75,000.

When the plant has been completed it will employ from 200 to 500 workers, members of the Monterey Fish Cannery Workers Union.



## "Unity For Victory"

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### BIDDLE'S MOVE NOT SO HOT

Whatever Biddle thought he was going to start by reviving the deportation charges against Bridges we don't know, nor do we know at whose request he decided to make this move at the present time, nor do we know why he did it. What everybody knows is that he did do it. To do such a foolish thing at the present time was not only ill advised and entirely out of tune with efforts being put forth to achieve unity to win the war; it was a colossal blunder and injures no one so much as Biddle himself.

In California the AFL and CIO have joined hands to help win the war. Practically every leader of both the AFL and CIO in this state are bending every energy in their respective fields to increase production and speed every operation that contributes to hastening manufacture and delivery of war material. Since the day the axis powers committed its opening act of war against us at Pearl Harbor, all former differences between these two labor organizations have been set aside and united labor has gone ahead with faith and determination to help win the war with unity. Our slogan is "Unity for Victory." We are not merely talking this. We are putting it into practice.

Labor is dead in earnest in this matter of winning the war through a united front. What is more, labor is achieving its goal methodically and with ever increasing speed and effectiveness.

What is Biddle achieving by reviving a proceeding that is practically discredited in the minds of the thinking public and has been dismissed by the average fair-minded American as a type of propaganda, which in its very essence, was even more un-American than what it undertook to assail?

Under other conditions, he might have precipitated dissent and might even have caused strikes, but as matters stand the labor movement is just as united and just as determined to work together to win this war as before Biddle pulled the bloomer. There is no dissention. There are no strikes and labor everywhere is more determined than ever to work together to win this war. The winning of the war is labor's first and paramount goal these days.

But here in California labor has certain definite goals it is centering on at the coming state election. This year labor is united as never before. Biddle or no Biddle, labor is determined to stay united in this state. Biddle is not the only high official, who has sought to do the bidding of somebody, but chose the poorest of all times to do it. These are days when winning the war overshadows everything else and when public men, who ought to be spending their waking moments to help devise ways and means to win that war, stoop to the disgusting levels of engaging in smear campaigns against labor or venting personal spite against individuals, such conduct becomes their own boomerang.

When newspapers discredit themselves by giving publicity to such nonsense they are hastening the day when a disgusted public will demand and get a new type of newspaper that will tell the truth, instead of distorting or suppressing it. Too many of our present-day daily papers fill column after column with slanderous smear campaigns against labor. Some of them reek with fifth-column propaganda. What is Biddle, as Attorney General of the United States, doing to stop their treachery and outright treason against the United States? If he has done anything, we have not heard of it.

### LABOR UNITED MUST BE REGISTERED

Labor is united to defeat the hot cargo bill. Labor is out to adopt the Ham and Egg pension bill, as modified for this year. Labor is united to re-elect Governor Olson. Labor is interesting itself in abolishing our present tory plan for electing state senators for one more democratic and more responsive to the will of our people and is also helping to put on the ballot a measure, which would give our voters a chance to wipe out the iniquitous and unjust sales tax that has cursed this state for several years. Then there are not a few lawmakers, both state and national, that labor has pegged for defeat or re-election, according to the records as they are bad or good.

Out here in California labor is on the march. Labor is out to do things. When labor stands together, as it is standing together now, it usually wins in California. But it will certainly exact a tremendous battle to win at the polls next November and every last man and woman, entitled to vote in labor's ranks will be expected to be registered to do their duty. Any American citizen, who is a worker and entitled to vote in California this year, and shows up in the coming primary election, without being registered, is not fit to live in America, and does not deserve what he enjoys here.

An unregistered citizen of the United States, who is a qualified voter and yet fails to register during the few days till the primary election door is closed is suffering from the type of complacency, which breeds slavery.

## "WHAT NOW?"

By ROY G. OWENS

Now comes the newly elected president of the United States Chamber of Commerce—broadcasting to the nation and short-waving to the boys in the fighting forces abroad—the pledge of the Chamber:

1. That we will have jobs for you when you return to your country.  
2. That we cannot allow hundreds of thousands of men and women hungry for employment, eager for a chance to use their talents, their brains and their energy, to go jobless in this land of hope and opportunity.

How the Chamber proposes to perform this 'job providing miracle' was not disclosed. It was merely stated that "It is an opportune time to reveal that The United States Chamber of Commerce—nationally representing American business and industry—is now working to find a solution to our postwar problems."

Another president of the same 'union' of American business made the same promise to another batch of men in the midst of another war twenty-five years ago. Remember? But when the war was over the member employers of said Chamber shut up shop like the clams at Duxbury. Remember? They ordered a lookout—remember? That was the first stanza of the depression song. The second verse hit low "C," in 1932, and remained to rumble through every family in the nation. Its echoes are still heard or felt by the families of those who now hear the "new promise."

You wouldn't suppose that The U.S.C. of C. that has just now—again gone on record saying "that the closed shop, wherever it exists, should be outlawed," would be kidding about providing all of those boys with jobs when they get back, would you?

How—if we ever manage to get everybody who stays at home on

the payroll—are we going to keep them on the payroll after the war and make jobs for all those others now at the front besides?

It is about time for a "revelation" from the U.S.C. of C.—if anybody in the Chamber is capable of devising an answer to such a problem—because there is going to be hell to pay for all of us if the men and women of America are locked out of jobs again just because an enemy has been defeated and there is no further call for workers to make bayonets and torpedoes.

The answer is that Chamber or no Chamber we are not going to have jobs for everybody and everybody is not going to have pay checks—not because we will not have goods enough to go around and not because we cannot find checks enough to go round—but because even the Chamber of Commerce will not be able to invent enough jobs to go round.

They will have to come to the Ham and Eggs idea—to paying good sizable pay checks to the youngsters who can be employed and to paying good healthy pension checks to the oldsters whom we cannot employ. Every Union man, every Union woman, and every other man and woman will have to come to the same idea—because there is no other way by which our society can be successfully continued.

### Methodist Hit Sales Tax As Plot of Tory Group to Mulet Poor

New York City. The New York East Methodist Conference, at its annual meeting last week, asked this question: "Shall the National Association of Manufacturers and other special interest groups with powerful voices be permitted to foist a general sales tax on the American people, while keeping unconscionable profits for themselves?"

The conference's answer was an emphatic "No." A sales tax, it said, would place on incomes under \$2,000 a proportional burden almost four times as great as on incomes over \$10,000, in addition to raising prices, thus increasing the danger of inflation.

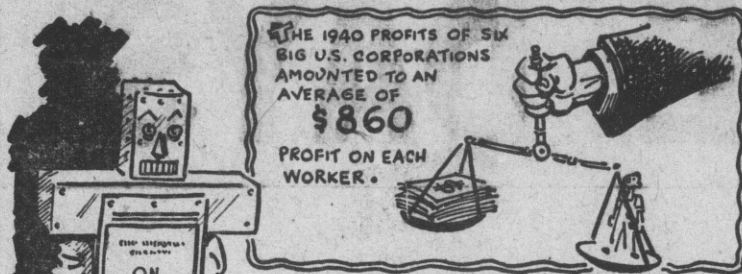
### War, Gentlemen Prefer Blondes!

Washington, D.C. Industry as well as gentlemen, prefers blondes—that is, 100 per cent, honest-to-God blondes!

Their hair, if naturally blonde, undyed and unpermanented is needed for aircraft flight instruments, WPB announces. Blonde glamor girls, who plan to shear their long tresses into Victory haircuts, can sell or donate their locks if they're 15 inches long or more.

Julien P. Friez & Sons, Baltimore, will donate the "crowning glory" to the Red Cross or the USO and the donor will be given a certificate for her contribution to the war effort. Step right up, ladies!

## THE MARCH OF LABOR



LABOR-SAVING MACHINERY HAS INVADIED THE PICKET LINE. SOME WEARY STRIKER WAS ABLE TO REST HIS FEET WHILE THIS ROBOT TURNED OUT TO HELP THE A.F.L.'S CULINARY WORKERS AND BARTENDERS' UNION PICKET SAN FRANCISCO HOTELS.



YOUR INSISTENCE ON UNION-MADE GOODS IS A SERVICE TO ORGANIZED LABOR. YOUR INSISTENCE ON THIS LABEL WHEN BUYING HATS IS A SERVICE TO ORGANIZED LABOR AND TO YOU—BECAUSE UNION-MADE HATS ARE THE BEST VALUES. BUY UNION!



## THE WORKER'S BOOKSHELF

STARS AND STRIKES, by Murray Ross. Columbia University Press, New York. \$2.75.

Between these covers there is much information about the growth of unionism in Hollywood. Not only among carpenters and electricians, but also among "Stars" on earth. The rise of "Equity" is traced through its various stages. Apparently salary cuts for the best paid have the same effect as for the power paid. It is interesting to note that because of high skill, collective bargaining and individual contracts go hand in hand, but that even highest skills demand and need collective bargaining. This is the foundation of Hollywood as a union town.

LATIN-AMERICA, by Wm. Lytle Schurz. E. P. Dutton and Company, New York. \$3.75.

This is as good a book on our good neighbors below the Rio Grande as we will get in a long time. It brings welcome and invigorating relief from the flood of ink poured out by hectic radio commentators presenting a superficial and hasty compilation and hasty newspaper observers looking at too much and seeing too little. Mr. Schurz performs a scholarly task in enlightening us about the history, economy and way of life in our country's own "down under." While the reviewer would like to have had the author present a more extensive treatment of Latin American Labor and its problems, he recognizes that to the limited extent Mr. Schurz does handle this phase, he does it in a solid and sound manner. We do know too little about our Latin-American brothers and their organizations. Here is a field crying for investigation and evaluation.

Time, you old gipsy man  
Will you not stay,  
Just for one day?  
—RALPH HODGSON.  
It's labor war—let's fight—with pay dollars in war bonds.

## POEM OF THE WEEK

(After Rudyard Kipling)

"We are fighting the battle of freedom in the world against great odds. Do not add to these odds by deeds which cast a doubt on the sincerity of our aims."

—Lloyd George, Mar. 24.

When the last newspaper is printed and the ink is faded and dried,

And the oldest critic is muzzled and the youngest croaker has died,

We shall pass to a tranquil era of government by decree, When every voice shall be silenced but the voice of the B. B. C.

We shall harken to government spokesmen, we shall listen to government news;

And no one will doubt or question, and none shall express their views.

And only the good shall be favored, and only the killjoy shall fall,

And the murmur of opposition will never be heard at all. And only the Leader shall praise us and only the Leader shall blame.

And Parliament will be sitting, our Parliament will be tame.

And the star of freedom will vanish; we shall steer by the fascist star,

And no one will then remember the sort of people we are.

(From the London New Statesman and Nation)

## The World fair and unfair

Dr. Harry Girvets

### WOMEN IN UNIFORM

The creation by Congress of a new women's army has been the occasion for a good deal of humor. The Woman's Auxiliary Corps is directed by Mrs. Oveta Hobby, mother of two children, head of the Texas League of Women Voters, and executive par excellence. Tradition has not yet been bent sufficiently to allow of her being called a general; she is called Director, and she will head a force which is allowed by law to include 150,000 women, but which is so far limited to 25,000 by order of the commander-in-chief. Apparently he wants to see what effect 25,000 women will have on the Army before he exposes it to a large scale feminine blitzkrieg.

The funmakers are having a holiday, particularly with the quartermaster. The procurement division of the Army will have to concern itself with the acquisition of articles of attire heretofore foreign to the Army inventory. It will have to pass upon such highly controversial problems as the length of skirts and the style of feminine headgear and footwear. Questions arise concerning the use of make-up, nail polish and the other ingredients out of which the opposite sex distills glamour.

But there is a serious side to the establishment of a woman's Army which is liable to be overlooked in the midst of all this male merriment. The woman's army is not a sop to the feminists. It was not established to conciliate a few assertive females. The fact is that the demands of an expanded Army and Navy are exacting a heavy toll of our manpower. If the war should prove to be an extended one, as it undoubtedly would be if the Red Army failed to hold on the Russian front, we should have to muster all of our available manpower.

As things stand we have endeavored to avoid breaking up families and taking skilled or semi-skilled workers from the defense industries.

Nevertheless there is a shortage of agriculture labor, some skilled or semi-skilled workers may find their way into the Army, and some families may be broken up where the children are not economically dependent on their father. And, so long as there are jobs in the Army which can be performed by women as efficiently as by men there is no excuse for this.

There are today in the Army thousands of jobs, most of them office jobs, which can be performed by women. This writer knows of able-bodied soldiers who are doing nothing more strenuous than secretarial work. There is no reason, apart from a groundless prejudice against having women in the Army, why women should not be doing this type of work. So long as women are available for lighter tasks in the Army there is no excuse for breaking up a single family or taking a single worker away from heavy or skilled labor required on the home front.

The new women soldiers will be assigned as typists, clerks, dental hygienists, chauffeurs, and they may even work as cooks and bakers (not that anyone means to suggest that cooking and baking are easy jobs). Some of them will have jobs in the aircraft warning service. Two companies of them are to be assigned to the Air Corps. Some may see overseas duty. This is all to the good. The whole arrangement should have been provided for long ago. The only thing that stood in the way was male prejudice against having women in the armed forces. The Army and Navy survive as the last stronghold of the embattled male. Fighting is the traditional prerogative of men. We would rather read about Amazons than rear them. His monopoly of the armed services gives the male his one remaining proof of superiority. Take this away and he is reduced to the level of the female. Hence the stubbornness with which he has resisted this female invasion.

If we say all this with some levity there is, nevertheless, a considerable significance in the creation of a woman's army, quite apart from the relief it affords to our manpower. If women fight this war as soldiers, even though they do not actually fire cannon or carry guns, the fact that they shared the discipline of the uniform will give them a new claim to equality. Women are not yet free even though they have made great strides forward. Certainly their service in our armed forces will be a milestone on their way to ultimately complete liberation from the domination of men.

Men lost the male privacy of the barber-shop in the last war. It looks as if they're going to lose the privacy of the armed forces in this one. Perhaps it's just as well.

Fish eyes are a delicacy among West Indies natives.

## Typographical Unions Hail 90th Birthday; Helped to Start AFL

New York City.

Locals of the International Typographical Union (independent), one of America's oldest unions, celebrated during May the 90th anniversary of the International's establishment.

The ITU is one of the few unions established in the 1850's to have survived the Civil War, the great depression of 1873 and the other vicissitudes through which American labor passed in the 19th century. It was one of the founders of the American Federation of Labor and a pioneer in the struggle for the 8-hour day.

Through great strikes in the early 1900's and in the post-World War period, the ITU established first the 8-hour day and then the 44-hour week when the majority of American workers were on a 60- and 70-hour week and working 10 to 12 hours a day.

By improving conditions in the shops, the ITU in 9 decades has increased the life expectancy of the average printer from 22 years to 64 years. The printers' tuberculosis rate, which was higher than in any other craft 90 years ago, is now one of the lowest.

One blood rolls uninterruptedly in endless circulation through all men, as the water of the globe is all one sea, and, truly seen, its tide is one.—Emerson.

## Oil Workers Given Good Contracts By Richfield Company

Los Angeles, California.

A new contract, covering the 1,450 employees in all operating departments of the Richfield Oil Co. in California, has been signed by the company and three Oil Workers' locals, Long Beach Local 128, Taft Local 6 and Ventura Local 120.

Union demands for a wage increase "straight across the board" of 10 cents an hour and for a union shop were referred to the War Labor Board by mutual consent. A supplement lengthening the work week to 40 hours was agreed to by the union because of emergency conditions created by labor shortages and the need of increased production in oil refineries. The clause is cancellable by either the company or the union after a 15-day notice, allowing for subsequent appeals in turn to the U. S. Commissioner of Conciliation and the War Production Board if agreement cannot be reached. The basic contract protects the long-standing principle of the 36-hour week in the industry.

Eighty-four pieces of manufactured glass are contained in some of the latest automobile models.

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## MONTEREY

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UNITED SLATE, TILE & COMPOSITION ROOFERS, DAMP & WATER-PROOF WORKERS ASSOCIATION 50—Meets 1st Friday in Watsonville Labor Temple, 3rd Friday in Monterey Carpenters' Hall at 8:00 p.m. Pres., Lloyd Lovett, Salinas; Sec., Warren A. Smith, Rt. 3, Box 64, Santa Cruz.



## WIDESPREAD HOARDING OF WAR MATERIALS REVEALED IN PROBES OF NEWSPAPER

Washington, D. C. A startling story of widespread bootlegging of machinery and materials urgently needed in the war program was reported this week by the Washington "Post." A new style of business bootlegger, the "Post" declared, "finds in every government restriction a Heaven-sent opportunity to increase his field of illegal operations."

The "Post" is owned by Multi-Millionaire Eugene Meyer, who hates organized labor and worships "big money," rarely speaking ill of business men. That he has been provoked to protest and is making an exposure of business men's "black market" operations indicates the situation must be very bad, indeed. Warehouses are filled to the rafters with precious materials presumed to be protected by priorities, the "Post" said. The warehouses usually are operated by a jobber, a dealer or a wholesaler, who thumbs his nose at government regulations and apparently is undisturbed by the thought the government will invoke its power of seizure, granted by Congress to deal with just such cases.

## Protest by Labor Officers Secures Tires From Board

San Diego, California. A campaign of non-cooperation with labor officials on the part of William Miller of the Tire Rationing Board has been brought to an end by the prompt action of J. J. Blake, aircraft financial secretary, working under auspices of the Civilian Defense Council, Labor division. Union officials, whose continued work in the field has a direct bearing on the war effort, have in the past been refused even a consideration of their need for tires on the part of Miller.

"In fact," reported Blake, "their requests have often been met with insulting remarks, made by Miller." Blake went before the Tire Rationing Board and demanded a cessation of these gestapo tactics, insisting that awards of tires be made on the merits of the case with personalities left out of the deal.

He further pointed out the necessity of supplying certain key officials with tires in order to assure their continued contact with union members in vital war industries, and on Civilian Defense jobs.

As a result, the board has made a favorable ruling bearing on the case in point and union officials who use their cars for necessary business in connection with the war effort and Civilian Defense will be allowed tires upon proper application to the board.

## Steelman Lauds Labor Co-operation for War

Atlantic City, New Jersey. Labor's and management's pledge of full co-operation and continuous production "has been 99.97 per cent successful," John R. Steelman, head of the U. S. conciliation service, told the convention of the National Society of Professional Engineers.

"Careless recital of the dramatic sides of strikes in the press and on the screen and over the radio has given too many people the impression that our war efforts are being held up in a serious way because of wilful strife in a major part of American industry. This is a dangerous lie that serves the purpose of the Axis but serves no good end among us," Dr. Steelman said.

### PROFITING PRICES

Prices at which goods are sold, it was asserted, are greatly in excess of the legal limit and sales are made without regard to priority controls.

The writer said he visited a New Jersey plant whose owner told him he had obtained a large part of his machinery from the "black market," at prices far above the permitted ceilings. An alloy bronze on which the price is 60 cents cost him \$5 a pound.

Other warehouses were said to be stocked to the limit with every variety of machinery, some vital in war industries and lack of which is holding up production of munitions.

"The dealers," the "Post" aid, "decline to sell their stocks at the official OPA price limits. They feel they may not be able to replace their inventories and that the traffic will bear a higher price. They just sit tight on their wares until a desperate purchaser agrees to the extortion."

### VIOLATE PRICE CEILINGS

"In some cases the dealer refuses to honor a priority certificate; in all cases they violate the price ceiling."

Long-established concerns were said to be operating through "dummies" established to conceal illegal transactions.

Another charge leveled at business—this time by the War Production Board—is that it is responsible for shortages in foodstuffs and other merchandise.

According to the board, many dealers have become flagrant hoarders, building up stocks beyond all reason, in the hope of a "killing."

The offenders, mainly, are concerns which shamelessly profiteered before price ceilings were established, and which may continue to sell legally at former high prices.

The board said it plans to attack the abuse by placing a limit on the amount of merchandise which may be held by retailers and wholesalers.

## If a Union Had Done This, The Press Would Go Absolutely Nuts!

Washington, D. C. Horrible day dream for a warm spring afternoon—

Suppose that your union was found to have hoarded away 500,000 pounds of aluminum at a time when every plane producing plant in the country was hollering for more of the precious metal—

Can you picture the turmoil in Congress, in the press, on the street corners? Can you see yourself and your union brothers on the inside of the housegown looking out?

Well, last week the government cracked down on the Hoover Vacuum Co. for diverting 500,000 pounds of aluminum into vacuum cleaners—and the papers and most Congressmen were about as excited as a Nazi looking at a picture of Benito Mussolini.

## GIGGLES AND GROANS

### A SALTY YARN

The skipper of a tramp steamer, in writing up the log recording an eventful day, rounded off his task with the entry: "Mate intoxicated." To the mate, who indignantly protested on reading it, the skipper retorted: "Well, it's true, ain't it?"

On the following day it was the mate's duty to write up the log, and he completed his account with "Skipper sober."

The captain stared at it for a moment, then exploded.

"Well, it's true, ain't it?" was the mate's rejoinder.

### WANT TO TRY IT?

According to the Associated Press, a justice in Aurora, Ill., married a couple in rhyme, which may or may not be according to Hoyle, but here it is:

"Do you this lady for wife take, to pay her bills and praise her steak? To honor and love and keep her well from the marriage hour to the funeral bell? Cherish her well, in sickness or health, to share in poverty or in wealth? Walk the floor when the baby comes, buy it rattlers, bottles, drums? Love her well enough for this?—take the lady with a kiss."

The Groom: "I do."

The Justice: "Now, sweet lady, do you say, you will promise to obey, love your husband, honor him, for his sake risk life and limb? Never look at other men, pledge yourself to him and then, faithful for the rest of life be his gentle loving wife?"

The Bride: "I do."

The Justice: "Then, by the law of Illinois, you are wed; may all be joy, the justice you give; you're wed, the while you both shall live."

### YOU KNOW 'EM

Some people get up bright and early. Others just get up early. You can lead a horse to water but a golf ball must be driven. Ooops!

There's one guy who won't play the game—and that's the umpire.

### RIGHT OUT OF CAMP

Private Horse was returning to his post from an evening in the nearby town. He was challenged by the sentry:

Sentry: "Halt! Who's there?"

Soldier: "Private Horse."

Sentry: "Advance, Private Horse, and be mechanized."

### NO WONDER

Dentist: "Stop waving your arms and making faces, sir. Why, I haven't even touched your tooth." Patient (pulling gag from mouth): "I know you haven't, but you're standing on my corn."

### HERE 'TIS

When two girls kiss each other it's like a couple of prizefighters shaking hands.

Some girls go places and do things; others just go places.

Many a pert gal goes out to flirt and comes back expert.

Lovers never understand each other. That's why they get married.

### WISE SISTER

Rejected Suitor—Well, in any case I'll always be a brother to you. She (sweetly)—If I had any use for a brother I could reach under the sofa and get one now.

### KNOW HER SCRIPTURES

The old negro viewed with misgiving the large amount of sugar cane being eaten by her 6-year-old grandson.

Eventually she warned the boy: "Chile, chile, ain't I to' you time an' ag'in that you're eatin' too much cane? Don't you know, chile, cane killed Abel?"

### SAME IN ANY LANGUAGE

Waiter—Would monsieur prefer French, Spanish or Italian cooking?

Diner—I don't care, so long as you bring me a soft-boiled egg.

### MISPLACED CONFIDENCE

The greatest case of misplaced confidence on record is that of the circus dog who buried a big fat juicy bone at the foot of the main prop of the big tent when the circus played in Los Angeles, and then wore his paw half off trying to dig it up when the circus played in San Francisco.

What makes a Christian is not the theology we have in our heads, but the faith and love we have in our hearts.

### DUMB DORA

Newly-Wed Husband (severely): Dear, the bank has returned that check.

Bride: Oh, isn't that splendid! What can we buy with it this time?

### SHE EARNED THE CANDY

Little Betty returned from her first visit to Sunday School eating candy.

"Who gave you the sweets?" asked her mother.

"I bought them with the penny you gave me," said Betty. "I met the minister at the door, so I got in for nothing."



Going My Way, Buddy?

## Green Renews Offers Of Peace to CIO; Stresses Need of Unity for War

## STANDING COMMITTEE KEPT TO NEGOTIATE AMALGAMATION PLAN

Washington, D. C.

President William Green publicly renewed the American Federation of Labor's standing offer to make peace with the CIO and merge the two organizations into a united movement.

The announcement came as the dramatic conclusion of the Spring meeting of the AFL Executive Council, which instructed President Green to invite CIO President Philip Murray to resume peace negotiations immediately.

Mr. Green emphasized that the unity bid was motivated by two outstanding considerations:

1. That a united American labor movement could act more effectively to help America win the war.

2. That instead of labor's wasting its strength in organizational rivalry and jurisdictional strife, a united labor movement could concentrate its energies on improving the economic, social and political interests of the working men and women of this country.

### HARMONY IMPERATIVE

Because of the war, Mr. Green stressed, it is most important that unity and solidarity be established in the labor movement without delay. The benefits to the nation, as well as to the workers, would be incalculable, he said.

In reply to questions at his press conference, Mr. Green declared the peace move should be welcomed by the Administration.

No immediate response was forthcoming from the CIO.

However, newspapermen encountered a negative reaction when they questioned Murray. Because the CIO is at present involved in embarrassing difficulties with its largest affiliated union, the United Mine Workers, it appeared possible that it would reject the AFL offer.

## Labor Movement Hits New Record

Washington, D. C. Union membership is climbing at a faster pace than ever in history, the American Federation of Labor reveals. Since January 1, 615,000 new members brought Federation rolls to 5,441,592. Secretary-Treasurer George Meany announced.

This figure, Meany said, is based on dues payments. He estimated an additional "floating membership" of 500,000, made up of persons who are unemployed or behind on dues. "We are confident that we will exceed this year the goal of a million new members set at our last convention," Meany said.

Other sources estimated the membership of all organized labor—AFL, CIO and independent Railroad brotherhoods—at over 11,500,000, or nearly three times the figures at the time of the last World War.

## War Officials Score Baiters Of Union Labor

Washington, D. C.

Anti-labor propagandists who have had a field day smearing the nation's workers were given a first-class dressing down last week by two high government officials—Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson and Dr. John R. Steelman, chief of the U. S. Conciliation Service.

The facts they brought out were gall and wormwood to the labor haters, but good news for the American people. Both emphasized that labor is doing a grand job of production and maintaining industrial peace, free of work stoppages.

Patterson went on the air as guest speaker in a nation-wide radio program sponsored by the AFL—the first of a series of broadcasts over the National Broadcasting Company network in which labor is given an opportunity to expose the lies of its enemies.

The undersecretary of war made it plain he was happy to have the opportunity to "express the appreciation of the army for the all-out effort which the men and women of the labor movement are making to give us tanks, planes, ships, guns and ammunition with which to win a smashing victory."

"I am especially pleased to find the AFL and CIO have united their forces to help win the war," he said. "It is that unity which has made it possible for us to announce tonight that America now is exceeding the Axis in the production of tanks."

## Here's What You Will Enjoy If Hitler Wins

Italian workers who refused to renew their contracts for labor in Germany, were executed after a riot in a plant near Dresden, the Khabarovsk (Russian) radio reports. According to the broadcast the Italians asked for a settlement of wages and repatriation when their contract expired. The Germans demanded that they renew the contracts. The Italians refused and stopped work. The Gestapo carried out arrests and the ringleaders were shot in the courtyard of the factory.



## International Labor Office Asks Plan To Deal With Post-War

New York City.

The governing committee of the International Labor Office at its meeting in London, England, stressed the need for coordinating the efforts of the many organizations interested in planning to combat post-war problems, according to the three American members of the committee on their return here.

Dr. Carter Lyman Goodrich, Columbia University Professor of Economics and chairman of the ILO governing board, said the main decision reached in London was to establish a committee of members of wide experience and from various regions to determine the economic conditions of post-war settlements in order to realize the social aims of the Atlantic Charter.

Robert J. Watt, International Representative of the American Federation of Labor, who attended the London meeting as the American workers delegate, said that in considering post-war problems "we must consider the problems of all nations, including those of the Axis."

## AFL Asks Faster Plant Conversion To Help Workers

Washington, D. C.

More speed in converting factories from civilian to war work is demanded by the American Federation of Labor as essential to the effective prosecution of the war.

Despite the recognized shortage of fabricating and processing facilities and the delay incident to building new factories, reports received from AFL unions show that hundreds of plants able to do war work and eager to convert are still standing idle or partly idle, their workers walking the streets, because they cannot get contracts. Here are a few typical examples:

The stove industry has been cut to 60 per cent of its civilian production; stove plants have been desperately trying to get war contracts to fill their idle capacity. They are eager to help in war work. Their stamping and assembly facilities and foundries are admirably fitted to make the simpler items needed by the Army and Navy, such as field stoves, bomb carriers for airplanes, ammunition boxes, and scores of other things.

Yet in the last month a contract for field stoves was awarded to an automobile company which already had hundreds of millions of dollars of war work on its books; stove companies were not even permitted to bid.

## Railroads Make Plenty of Dough

Washington, D. C.

Railroad profits are going up despite the wage increases which went into effect late in 1941, according to an Association of American Railroads report.

It says that in the first three months of this year, the railroads netted profits of \$98,075,000; after paying all bond interest and other fixed charges.

This net profit was 42 per cent larger than the carriers' \$69,034,952 profit in the same quarter of last year, before rail wages were raised. While net profits rose 42 per cent, the railroads' total "operating revenues" rose 29 per cent, from \$1,152,106,851 in the first quarter of 1941 to \$1,483,457,296 in the same period of 1942.

Thus the wage boosts did not keep profits from rising faster than revenues.

## Old Gold Folds Up, Signs Pact

Middletown, Ohio.

Finally forced to sign a union contract after losing a 5-year struggle to maintain non-union conditions, the P. Lorillard Co., makers of Old Gold cigarettes, pulled a "Henry Ford" and went whole hog.

The United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing & Allied Workers revealed a unique "union agency" plan as part of a clause calling for a dues checkoff from all workers.

First of its type, the plan provides for dues payments from non-members as a "service charge." It says in effect that since all workers in the bargaining unit are being serviced by the union, each should pay "his share of the freight, whether or not he chooses, to join the union."

## Unionists Want Peace With a Union Label

Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Organized labor must be represented at the peace table when this war is over and the peace must bear a union label so that "we will not have a repetition of Versailles," Andrew Biemiller, special labor advisor to the War Production Board told an educational conference of Auto Workers.

Trade unionists have the greatest stake in the winning of the war and their pledge of utmost cooperation must be matched with a promise to be in on winning the peace, Biemiller told the meeting.

For freedom's sake beat Hitler—buy War Bonds every payday.

## Jap Worker Is Made Slave By War Machine

New York City.

Japan's conquests in Southeast Asia since the attack on Pearl Harbor have been accompanied by new repressive measures against Japanese industrial workers, Allied Labor News has learned here from a reliable source.

Workers in the aircraft factories at Kobe, Nagoya and Tokyo, in the steel mills at Yahata, in the oil refineries at Sasebo and Yokohama, and in the shipyards at Osaka, Sasebo and Nagasaki, can no longer step outside the plant gates. When they come off shift they are herded by police into barracks in the company yard, to remain there until it's time to work again.

The first stirrings of opposition to the war are now being felt in factories. The answer of the Japanese military bosses has been to increase the number of spies and provocateurs in the plants. Today a Japanese worker hardly dares voice a grievance to his neighbor on the work bench, for fear the man may be a government spy. No workers' meetings are permitted to be held.

### UNIONS ABOLISHED

The way was paved for these new restrictions in the fall of 1940, when all Japanese trade unions, a few weeks after all political parties were abolished by the government.

In place of the unions the government set up the "Japanese Patriotic Industrial Society," in which "all the trouble between labor and capital has been swept away, and they have been united under the banner of loyalty to the throne." Workers in each plant were ordered to form a "co-operative body," with "the manager of the enterprise as the leader."

## Look Out for Mussels! They're Banned Until October 31, Warning

Sacramento, California.

A quarantine on mussels to October 31st by the State Board of Public Health is announced by Dr. Bertram P. Brown, state health director.

The quarantine is imposed upon all mussels taken from the ocean shore of California from the Oregon to the Mexican boundary including San Francisco bay which was omitted from the order imposed in previous years. Only exception is permission to take mussels for fish bait. Such mussels must be processed with salt to make them unpalatable and must be plainly labeled, "For fish bait only. Unfit for human consumption."

Local health officers were instructed to post the quarantine along the shore.

"Occasion for the quarantine is the presence in California coastal waters during the summer of a minute organism, the gonovirus. This organism, when ingested by humans, makes them poisonous to human beings," Dr. Brown said.

## Satevepost Gets In Bad With Its Anti-Jew Screech

New York City.

The Saturday Evening Post is finding that it's not only losing readers because of its recent anti-Semitic outbursts but many news-dealers are not trying to sell the magazine. So acute has the situation become that the circulation department is offering \$100 prizes to the dealers who arrange the best displays of the magazine on their stands.

A Federated Press survey of stands shows that many dealers are doing everything NOT to win the contest. The Post, which is usually displayed prominently, is being buried.

"Not only am I burying it," said one dealer, "but if anybody asks for the damned thing, I tell them they shouldn't buy it."

Philadelphia, Pa. The Saturday Evening Post's isolationism and anti-Semitism are damaging it as a business, says George E. Wanderman, a stockholder, in a suit filed here April 6 for an injunction to stop the present Post policies.

## Salem Teamsters Have Defense Driving Corps

Salem, Oregon.

Teamsters of this area have volunteered to form a defense driving corps. Along the entire West Coast teamsters' unions are joining in the movement, and plans are progressing to perfect the organization so that there will be no confusion in the vent of an emergency.

The volunteers are to be divided into sectional groups, and subdivided according to type of transportation used. They will receive assignments in first aid, casualty station, messenger center and office work. Instructions will be given concerning driving during blackout periods.

It is not what we read, but what we remember, that makes us learned.—Henry Ward Beecher.

## POSTAL ODDITIES



WALTER LADROW, POSTAL SUPERVISER AT GREEN BAY, WIS., WAS THE FIRST FULLBACK ON THE PACKERS—FAMOUS FOOTBALL TEAM OF THAT CITY.

Reg. U. S. Pat. Office 334-546, May 5, 1936, by National Federation of Post Office Clerks

Contributor: Marion Salb. When the great trains of prairie schooners plied back and forth along the Santa Fe trail there were no regular post offices at which to post mail. The first post office consisted of a stone box placed in the roots of a giant oak tree in which the mail was deposited or dispatched, depending on which way the train was headed.



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OPERATING ENGINEERS NO. 165—Meets first Thursday at Labor Temple, 462 A Main Street, Harry Vosburgh, secretary, 240 E. San Luis Street, Salinas.

OPERATIVE PLASTERERS AND CEMENT FINISHERS OF SALINAS AND MONTEREY COUNTY, LOCAL UNION NO. 763: Meets second and fourth Friday of the month at 8:00 p.m. at Rodeo Cafe; Fred Randon, Secretary, 31 Buena Vista, Salinas, Phone 1423; President, Don Frick.

PAINTERS, DECORATORS AND PAPERHANGERS UNION, LOCAL NO. 1104: Meets first and third Tuesday of month at 7:30 p.m. Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St.; Pres., Earl Ross; Rec. Sec., Ted Hartman; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., W. M. Bell; office at Labor Temple, Phone Salinas 8783.

PLUMBERS AND STEAM FITTERS' UNION LOCAL 503: Meets second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, 8:00 p.m., Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St.; Fin. Sec., Alfred H. (Fred) Hull, 19 West St., Salinas; Pres., L. Jenkins.

POSTAL CARRIERS UNION, LOCAL NO. 1046: Meets every third Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at 30 Towel St., Salinas; E. L. Steber, Sec., Phone 2944R, P. O. Box 25; Lester Pierce, Pres., Salinas.

PRINTING PRESSMEN & ASSISTANTS' UNION NO. 328 OF WATSONVILLE AND SALINAS—Meets last Tuesday of each month, alternating between Salinas and Watsonville. President, Roland W. Scheffler, Toro and Miami Sts., Salinas; Sec., Milo Martella, 225 Monterey St., Salinas.

SHEET METAL WORKERS UNION, LOCAL 304—President, John Alsup, Pacific Grove, Phone 7825; Business Agent, A. N. Endell, 54 Villa St., Salinas, Phone 7355.

STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES — Meets on call at Labor Temple, R. H. Clinch, Pres.; R. S. Humphrey, Sec.

SUGAR REFINERS WORKERS UNION NO. 20616—President, Les Hutchings; Sec'y., E. M. Jones, 21-A Homestead, Salinas. Meets in Forrester's Hall, Salinas, 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:30 P. M.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS AND AUTO TRUCK DRIVERS' UNION, LOCAL NO. 287—Meets first Wednesday in Oct., Jan., April, July at Labor Temple; L. R. (Red) Carey, secretary, 117 Pajaro street, Salinas, Phone 7590.

INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE OF THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS, LOCAL 611—Meets first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres., Art Reina, 13 Kentucky St., Salinas; Bus. Agent, James Wilson, 80 Payton St., Santa Cruz, Phone 2737-R; Rec. Sec., Chas. Covey, 364 Walnut Ave., Santa Cruz.

TYPOGRAPHICAL WORKERS UNION, LOCAL NO. 543: Meets every other last Sunday in the month at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas; A. F. Ramey, Secretary, Rt. 5, Box 9, Watsonville, Calif.; Frank H. Phillips, President.

UNITED SLATE, TILE & COMPOSITION ROOFERS, DAMP & WATER-PROOF WORKERS ASSOCIATION 50—Meets 1st Friday in Watsonville Labor Temple, 3rd Friday in Monterey Carpenters' Hall at 8:00 p.m. Pres., Lloyd Lovett, Salinas; Sec., Warren A. Smith, Rt. 3, Box 64, Santa Cruz.

## MINUTES

### Central Labor Council

The meeting was called to order June 2, by Brother Steve Smario. The roll call showed the presence of five delegates from five locals. Officers present were Secretary Edwards and Sergeant-at-arms Burke.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Brother Smario reported on the meeting with the Building Trades Council to consider the appeal of the USO. At the meeting it was decided that all unions making contributions should make their checks payable to the USO. Unions affiliated with the B.T.C. should deliver their checks to the secretary, Mr. L. T. Long. Other unions should deliver their checks to a representative of the Central Labor Council. (Brother Steve Smario). These two will then jointly deliver their checks to the County USO Committee.

A labor mass meeting is planned for some Sunday in July, to meet at the Labor Temple on Lighthouse Avenue, to arouse interest in the defeat of anti-labor legislation and in the reelection of Governor Olson.

The Secretary's bill for \$3 was approved and ordered paid.

A number of communications were read and ordered filed.

It was moved, seconded, and passed to adopt the proposed amendments to the constitution.

It was moved, seconded, and passed that each local should furnish the Council its membership figures from April 1, 1941 to April 1, 1942, and the allotment of per capita dues, delegates, and voting strength for the current year be figured as of April 1, 1942, and that the new amendments become effective July 1, 1942.

It was moved, seconded, and passed that Brother Smario act as the Council's representative in the handling of USO funds and that the Secretary write each local regarding the matter. It was voted to endorse the proposal for a labor mass meeting in July.

Brother Lester was authorized to have the minutes mimeographed during the Summer, so each local may have a copy.

It was moved, seconded, and passed that the Secretary write to the Salinas Council regarding a case of discrimination against a Salinas teacher for activity in representing other teachers before the Board of Trustees.

The Painters reported a good meeting and that they initiated one new member.

The Barbers reported that they had taken no action regarding a minimum price and that the next move is up to the Board of Barber Examiners.

The Bartenders reported no meeting.

The financial statement was read and the meeting adjourned.

Amendments provide for a monthly per capita tax of 3 cents per member, with a maximum per local of \$25 and a minimum of \$2. Each local will have 3 to 5 delegates and be allowed 3 to 10 votes.

—WAYNE EDWARDS, Secretary.

## Pegler's Idea Of Heaven Is Very Peculiar

Douglas, Arizona. Westbrook Pegler described his idea of heaven recently—and it's a veritable hell on earth.

The Scripps-Howard columnist wrote a few lyrical pieces about Ajo, a company town dominated by the rich, powerful Phelps-Dodge copper interests. He praised its neatness, its remoteness and its "ideal" government, in which the town bosses aren't elected by the people. They report not to God but to the management of the company.

It sounds like an ideal town for Westbrook Pegler, but most workers regard it differently, according to Orville Larson, international representative of the CIO Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers. 100% CONTROLLED

Here's his description of Ajo: "Ajo is completely company-dominated, the company owning almost the entire town, including hotel, store, homes of the employees, etc.

"A strict watch is maintained on all strangers who come into Ajo to be sure they do not bring the wrong kind of unionism into the citadel of Phelps-Dodge. No meetings are ever held in this community unless Phelps-Dodge know what they are for."

"Phelps-Dodge rules the southwestern corner of the state like feudal barons."

Larson charged that Pegler is always anxious to defend the powerful Phelps-Dodge copper interests. Last year, when the U. S. Supreme Court ordered reinstatement of striking CIO workers at the Bisbee mine, the columnist wrote a dissenting opinion smearing the men as communists.

Human mummies can supply eight pounds of usable linen each or a total of 2½ million tons, it was estimated in 1885 by a scientist.

## 100 Hostages Will Be Killed



Memories of the inhuman "100 to 1" formula whereby the Nazis murdered 100 French hostages for every German killed in occupied France are revived by this forceful cartoon. Drawn by D. R. Fitzpatrick, nationally known cartoonist of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, this illustration and others point up the story of Hitler's treachery and plans for world-domination contained in a new booklet, "Divide and Conquer" issued by the Office of Facts and Figures. "The idea of pacifism and humanity may be quite good," Hitler has said, "after the supreme race has conquered the world." Having conquered a nation, Hitler enslaves it by mass terror on a scale beyond measure in human history. Copies of the booklet are available on written request to the Office of Facts and Figures, Washington, D. C.

## Little Luther

"It is outrageous," declared Mr. Dilworth.

"What?" said Little Luther. "The way these unions are demanding wage increases. Nothing is so certain to undermine our Nation's economic system. And what will the workers get? They'll start the inflation ball rolling, and then their wage increases won't be worth a nickel. They'll be worse off than ever, a situation for which they can thank only themselves."

"I have been reading the same statements in the newspaper editorials, father. But tell me, what does a manufacturer do when the price of his raw material goes up?"

"It depends. If his profit margin is great enough, he may maintain the same price. If not, he increases his price."

"How about the workingman?" The prices of his raw materials—housing, clothing, food and transportation—have gone up sharply, far in excess of any increase in labor costs. The worker has no surplus of thousands of dollars that he can draw upon to make up the deficit. It becomes a question of higher pay or a greatly reduced standard of living."

"I say the worker should tighten his belt in the country's interest."

"Father, it is going to be very hard to convince the worker that he must lower his living standards and his working efficiency when the Government is raising the profits of manufacturers to give them an incentive. You see, the workers have already discovered where inflation exists."

"Meaning just what?"

"The area may be described as the wasteline of big business."

### HAT FIRM SIGNS

New York, N. Y. The Hat Corp. of America, leading manufacturer of men's hats, has signed its first contract with the United Hatters, Cap & Millinery Workers (AFL). The firm makes Knox, Dobbs, Crofut & Knapp and Cavanaugh hats.

Oh! that we two were Maying Down the stream of the soft spring breeze; Like children with violets playing, In the shade of the whispering trees.

## TESTED RECIPES — for — UNION HOME MAKERS

(Union housewives—and men who pride themselves in cooking—are asked to send favorite tested recipes to RECIPE EDITOR, 5833 Occidental St., Oakland. Be sure to give name, address and union.)

### SUGARLESS DESSERTS

Our recent list of recipes which conserved sugar, won approval so great that we were asked for more. We called upon Home Economist Lynn Chambers for these:

#### FRUIT DREAMS

1 14-oz. package pitted dates  
¼ pound nut meats  
¼ pound figs  
¼ pound apricots  
1 teaspoon grated orange rind  
1 tablespoon orange juice.  
Put dates, nutmeats, figs and apricots through the meat grinder. Knead orange rind and juice into the mixture. Roll with a rolling pin into a square sheet ¼-inch thick. Cut in squares and dip into powdered sugar.

#### SUGARLESS CAKE

2½ cups sifted cake flour  
2½ teaspoons double-acting baking powder  
¼ teaspoon salt  
¼ cup butter or other shortening  
2 teaspoons grated orange rind  
1 cup light corn syrup  
2 eggs, unbeaten  
½ cup milk  
1½ teaspoons vanilla.

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt and sift together three times. Cream shortening with orange rind; add syrup gradually, beating well after each addition. Add ¼ of the flour and beat until smooth and well blended. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each. Add remaining flour in thirds, alternately with milk in halves, beating well after each addition. For best results, beat cake very well after at each stage of mixing. Add vanilla. Bake in two greased 8-inch pans in a moderate (375-degree) oven 30 minutes or until done.

#### CHOCOLATE CHIP FROSTING

Place cake layers on a baking sheet, having one layer top side down. Cover tops with semi-sweet chocolate chips, using 2 packages. Heat in a moderate (350-degree) oven 6 minutes or until chips are just softened. (The cake may be frosted while warm. Heat only 3 minutes). Remove from oven. Spread softened chips over bottom layer, letting chocolate run down sides. Arrange top layer and spread as before. Then spread sides evenly.

## Henderson Not For Freezing Of Lower Pay

Washington, D. C. Leon Henderson, OPA Administrator, stated last week that "the wage levels of sub-standard groups of workers in our population must be raised."

The statement was made in a special release, issued to counteract misunderstandings that arose after Henderson testified recently before the Ways and Means Committee of the House in Congress. Henderson's complete statement on wages, as issued in the special release, follows:

### PROTECT LOWER BRACKETS

"It is essential to the success of President Roosevelt's seven-point program for control of the wartime cost of living that wages be stabilized and that general wage increases be avoided. Without wage stabilization there can be no effective administration of the price level. However, as a part of real wage stabilization, the wage levels of sub-standard groups of workers in our population must be raised. Sub-standard groups cannot be condemned to a continuation of a sub-standard existence at a time when the country's welfare demands that every citizen's health and productive capacity be maintained and improved. Further, real wage stabilization requires adjustments to remove inequities as between higher-paid groups. This is necessary to continued effective production of war material at the highest possible rate.

### FULL 'FREEZING' NOT FAVORED

"Reports that I have intimated the need for wage 'freezing' are untrue, but it is true that I oppose general increases in the level of wages.

"Also untrue are intimations that the Office of Price Administration desires additional powers to deal with the wage question. I have repeated time and again and take occasion to repeat once more, my firm conviction that the laws and problems related to the administration of prices are unsuitable for stabilization of wages."

## Eurekans Given Wage Increases

Eureka, California. Lumber and Sawmill Workers, Local 2568, of the Arrow Mill came out of negotiations recently with a 5-cent an hour raise for the men and a 12½-cent an hour raise for women, straight across the board. This wage increase brings the wages of the men to a 72½-cent low and the women to a 72½-cent low. The Arrow Mill Loggers have also received a new agreement which embodies a substantial increase in wages also. The present contract runs for one year, but can be opened at any time by either party, should a change of wages be desired by either party.

Local 2568 was represented in negotiations by a committee from the Local and ably assisted by International Representatives Harold Williams, Cliff Richter and Abe Muir. The above raise is retroactive to April 1, 1942.

### PLANNING AFTER-WAR BLITZ

Another factor in the anti-labor campaign is the determination of employers to weaken unions so they can more readily be destroyed after the war, Brown stressed.

"No one can read the daily press, or speeches delivered at meetings of chambers of commerce, the National Association of Manufacturers, or the American Bar Association without being convinced that plans are in the making to 'smash the unions' during the economic collapse after the war," he contended.

### N. Y. Laborites Pay Tribute to Blum and Jews' Freedom Fight

New York City. Declaring that "our struggle against international Fascism is imbued with the ideals of the great French Revolution, Liberty, Equality, Fraternity," several thousand representatives of American Labor organizations gathered at Carnegie Hall in New York, last week, to mark the 70th birthday of Leon Blum, French Labor Leader and twice Premier of the French Republic.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Jewish Labor Committee.



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